# Ocracoke Advisory Planning Board (OAPB) Meeting

### AGENDA

Date:April 10,2014

Time: 5:30 PM

Place of Meeting: The Ocracoke Community Center

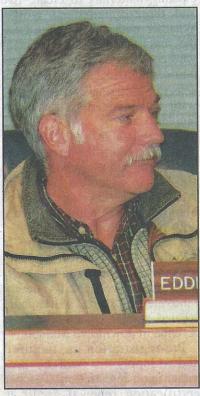
- Call to Order
- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
- Additions or changes to agenda
- Chairperson's Report
  - Vehicles similar to golf carts?
  - Travel trailer Ordinance..Revisit?
  - Weekend pass-Beach permit?
- New Business
  - Continue ODO Discussion
  - Other new business
- Old Business
  - Flag code admendment-KDH
  - Grandfathering-comment
  - Other old business
  - Public Discussion
- Date for next meeting
- Adjournment

## Flag code amendment raises concerns with KDH planning board members

By PHILIP S. RUCKLE JR.

With only two issues under consideration the Tuesday,

#### Voiced concern



EDDIE VALDIVIESO, a Kill Devil Hills planning board member, expressed concern that flag regulations the Board approved at its Tuesday, March 4 meeting was too vague, too broad and too far reaching. (Philip S. Ruckle Jr. photo)



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March 4 Kill Devil Hills Planning Board meeting proved to be a short one.

With very little discussion the group agreed on a code amendment that allows two decorative flags per business site of no more than 24 square feet each that are at least 10 feet from pavement and within property lines provided flags are not torn greater than two inches, frayed or tattered more than one inch and are hanging in the manner designed.

A second part limits shopping centers or office complexes with multiple businesses to only one flag beginning January 2015.

Moving to the second agenda item, assistant planning director Meredith Guns explained that after a tree fell on a structure, staff discovered two code definitions for structure alterations within and while structure alterations was listed as an repair action there was nothing to explain what was involved to

undertake that action.

"This is just a housekeeping measure," said Guns. "We've combined some sections and added definitions."

That also passed without comments or questions.

During board member comments Eddie Valdivieso apologized for his late arrival to the meeting, adding that he was not in favor of the flag regulations that passed in his absence.

Adding that he thought some of the wording is too vague, Valdivieso also questioned if the town really needs to tell people to keep a flag on their own property. A comment that brought several affirmative replies from the rest of the board.

"This is too open, too broad and too far reaching," continued Valdivieso. "Why stop at businesses? If they're ugly they're ugly. I just don't see it."

In response, board chair J. Howard Kimble thanked Valdivieso for his comments adding that most ordinances are developed because some business owners need the guidance.

And while Stan Clough agreed with Valdivieso, he said the issue will go to a public hearing and that was the ultimate goal, to get public feedback.

Both planning board issues will go the town's board of commissioners. If in agreement a public hearing will be set before any further action is taken.

The next Kill Devil Hills Planning Board meeting is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 18, in the Administration Build-

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ing Meeting Room at 102 Town Hall Drive, south of Colington Road.

The town's board of commissioners will meet Monday at 5:30 in the meeting room at the administration building, located at 102 Town Hall Drive to act upon the proposed agenda and to hold public hearings on a proposed financing contract, and on two proposed zoning amendments.

Other items listed on Monday's agenda include a presentation on the Baum Tract site from First Flight High School students; site plan reviews; and business brought forward by the commissioners, mayor, attorney and town manager.